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1. Military Rail Arrivals, Kindl Area, 5-8 May

The following rail transports arriving in Eisenach and Mechterstädt from Leipzig and Weissenfels are reported by a railroad worker at Mechterstädt (H96). No trains arrived between 8 and 11 May. 25X1C

5 May - 21 freight cars, 26 flat cars w/vehicles [REDACTED] troops w/black tabs/red piping.

6 freight cars, 24 flat cars w/twenty-four T-34 tanks.

11 freight cars, 42 flat cars w/ 25 guns (76.2 and 57 mm).

21 freight cars, 20 flat cars w/ vehicles [REDACTED] troops w/black tabs/red piping. 25X1C

6 May - 17 freight cars, 33 flat cars (night arrival).

5 freight cars, 26 flat cars w/ 30 partly covered armored vehicles. Numbers seen: [REDACTED] 25X1C

7 freight cars, 18 flat cars w/18 armored cars [REDACTED] 25X1C

14 freight cars, 38 flat cars w/ 13 AT guns 57 mm, 2 light reconnaissance cars, vehicles [REDACTED] 25X1C

4 freight cars, 24 flat cars w/ 22 armored vehicles [REDACTED] 25X1C

13 freight cars, 15 flat cars w/ 2 armored cars.

22 freight cars, 23 flat cars w/ seven 122 mm howitzers 38 and vehicles [REDACTED] 25X1C

7 May - 12 freight cars, 35 flat cars w/ 20 guns believed to be 76.2 mm type 43, vehicles [REDACTED] 25X1C

13 freight cars, 22 flat cars w/ six 57 mm AT guns, [REDACTED]

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6 freight cars, 22 flat cars w/21 armored vehicles

14 freight cars, 30 flat cars w/armored vehicles and 2 light reconnaissance cars.

6 freight cars, 24 flat cars w/ten T-34 tanks, 5 light reconnaissance cars

8 May

7 freight cars, 22 flat cars w/six light reconnaissance cars,

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14 freight cars, 22 flat cars w/10 assault guns, vehicles in

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9 freight cars, 24 flat cars w/8 rocket launchers, vehicles

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11 freight cars, 23 flat cars w/40-50 motorcycles and vehicles

2. Kindl Area 9-11 May

a. Strength: approximately 30,000 men, most of them aged 21-23.

b. Troops are billeted in wooden barracks in the woods two kilometers west and three kilometers south of Wolfsbehringen (H97). Reichsstrasse 84. Eisenach to Langensalza (H76-J08) and the Ettenhausen-Wolfsbehringen road (H75-97), both running through this area, were closed to civilian traffic on 9 May. Some troops are using tents. Some barracks are being built.

c. On 10 and 11 May there was heavy passenger car traffic to the wooded area south of Wolfsbehringen.

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e. No unit composed entirely of recruits were observed. is that each company contains 20-30% older men who are acting as recruit instructors.

3. Wipperoda (J05), 11-13 May

a. Occupation of the forest camp east of Wipperoda, begun 2-3 May, was completed on 9 May. Strength: 6,000-8,000, all IT troops. *

b. Parking spaces contained forty-eight 76.2 mm AT guns (FK/PAK 42); eighteen 100 mm AT guns (heavy PAK 44); seven 57 mm AT guns (PAK 41). Half-tracks were attached to each 100 mm gun. Approximately 150 trucks were seen, chiefly Studebaker types, with some Russian Fords. Vehicle

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c. No large scale exercises were observed. A few troops were training with 76.2 mm guns.

4. Grawinkel (J14), 16-18 May

a. Strength: 10,000-12,000 men wearing black caps/red piping minus arms insignia, though some Guards insignia and war decorations were noted. **

b. Parked vehicles Also, approximately fifty tanks and fifty assault guns; most were covered. counted four T-34/85, seven JS-3, and seven SU-85. Adjoining the parking space is a fuel dump where 100 fuel drums, each 200 liters, were counted.

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d. Eight sheds containing tank ammunition are located left of the Crankel-Chrdruf road between the highway and the railroad.

e. No training took place on observation dates. Troops were in process of settling into their billets.

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* [REDACTED] Comment: [REDACTED] the advance party at Wipperoda as consisting of 2,500 tank and artillery troops.

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** [REDACTED] Comment: [REDACTED] some 8,000 men can be accommodated in the wooded area northwest of Crankel.

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